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inhibitor selected from the group consisting of bismuth, tin, and indium; (3) a separator disposed between the cathode and the anode; and (4) an alkaline electrolytic solution.

18. (New) The method of claim 17, wherein the graphite particles have an average particle size of less than about 12 microns.

- 19. (New) The method of claim 17, wherein the graphite particles have an average size of from about 2 microns to about 12 microns.
- 20. (New) The method of claim 17, wherein the graphite particles have an average size of from about 5 microns to about 9 microns.
- 21. (New) The method of claim 17, wherein the separator comprises a first nonwoven, non-membrane material and a second nonwoven, non-membrane material disposed along a surface of the first nonwoven, non-membrane material.
- 22. (New) the method of claim 17, wherein the cathode has a porosity of from about 24% to about 28%.
- 23. (New) The method of claim 17, wherein the anode has a porosity of from about 2 grams of zinc particles to about 2.45 grams of zinc particles per cubic centimeter of anode volume.
- 24. (New) The method of claim 17, wherein a weight ratio of the manganese dioxide to the electrolytic solution is from about 2.4 to about 2.9.
- 25. (New) The method of claim 17, wherein the weight ratio of the zinc particles to the electrolytic solution is from about 0.9 to about 1.25.
- 26. (New) The method of claim 17, wherein the cathode further comprises a binder.--